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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MASS, PE, BL, CI, EC, CO, VE, PN, AR  
SUBJECT: ARMS LIMITATION UNDER AYACUCHO DECLARATION

REF: STAE 015196/1

1. THE FOLLOWING PARS ARE KEYED TO PAR 4, REFTEL.
2. IN EMBASSY CONVERSATION WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS OVER THE YEARS, AS WELL AS DURING RECENT MONTHS, IT HAS BECOME CLEAR THAT, WHILE THE GOC STRONGLY SUBSCRIBES TO THE OBJECTIVES OF THE AYACUCHO DECLARATION, IT IS SKEPTICAL THAT THESE OBJECTIVES ARE LIEKLY TO BE ACHIEVED. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY VIEW HAS BEEN, THEREFORE, THAT FOLLOW UP MEETINGS TO THE AYACUCHO DECLARATION WOULD BE A WASTE OF TIME AND SCARE RESOURCES. ONE FOREIGN MINISTRY SOURCE HAS ALSO COMMENTED THAT THE GOC IS NOT ANXIOUS TO HAVE ITS MILITARY PERSONNEL DEVELOP  
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CONTACT WITH OFFICERS FROM MILITARY REGIMES, WHICH WOULD BE LIKELY AT SUCH MEETINGS.

3. BECAUSE OF ITS INTEREST IN PROMOTING ARMS LIMITATION, COLOMBIA WOULD PROBABLY RESPOND FAVORABLY TO AN INITIATIVE TO CONVENE ANOTHER MEETING OF THE AYACUCHO SIGNATORIES IF IT WAS CONVINCED THAT SUCH A MMETING WAS LIKELY TO LEAD TO

CARRYING OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THE DECLARATION. IN SUCH A CIRCUMSTANCE COLOMBIA MIGHT EVEN BE WILLING TO JOIN OTHER NATIONS IN TAKING THE INITIATIVE.

4. OUR CONSULATIONS WITH THE COLOMBIANS ON AYACUCHO AND DISARMAMENT IN GENERAL INDICATE THAT THE GOC WOULD BE INTERESTED IN THE INCLUSION OF SUCH NON-ANDEAN COUNTRIES AS BRAZIL AND ARGENTINA IN SUCH A MEETING, PREFERABLY UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE OAS.

5. IT WOULD NOT BE A FAR CRY FROM THE KIND OF MEETING CONTEMPLATED IN PAR 3, ABOVE, TO A LATIN-AMERICA WIDE CONFERENCE WHICH COULD BE SUPPORTIVE OF THE SSOD. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF PRESENT SKEPTICISM REGARDING THE PROBABLE USEFULNESS OF A LA-WIDE ARMS LIMITATION MEETINGS, THE COLOMBIAN WOULD PROBABLY PREFER THAT SUCH MEETINGS HAVE RELATIVELY LIMITED OBJECTIVES AND INVOLVE COUNTRIES DIRECTLY INTERESTED.

6. THE GOC IS LIKELY TO PREFER THAT ANY U.S. ROLE BE LOW KEY AND LOW PROFILE.  
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